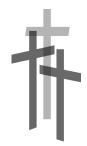
THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 20, 2025





Hymns: TLH 36,465,674,309
First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10A
Epistle: Colossians 1:21-29
Holy Gospel: Luke 10:28-42

Please remember to sign the Communion sheet. Thank you

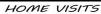


WELCOME TO ST MATTHEW!

The Lord richly bless your time here this morning as we receive Christ in the liturgy, hymns, and preaching. There are guest cards and envelopes in the pews. All guests are encouraged to fill these out. The envelopes are provided for guests to contribute during the offering.

QUESTIONS ABOUT WORSHIP, BAPTISM OR COMMUNION? Please see the Pastor or the Elder on duty.

There will be one Worship Service at 9:15 A.M.. Holy Communion will be celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month. Please announce your intention to commune by signing the sheet in the narthex. If you would like to receive communion in your pew please check the box after your name on the announcement sheet.





Pastor Blaine Jorg is available to bring Holy Communion to the home of any member desiring a visit. You may also call him, regardless of the time, if any congregation member is in need of pastoral care. This is particularly important when there is a serious illness, an accident, a hospitalization and when death approaches or occurs.

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Joan Baroudi Kelly Benedict Christiana Brenon Bob Burton Patricia Cake Linda Davidson Bill & Pat Doebler Doug Ellman Tom Essenburg Joanne Jenkins Ellie Grichen Carol Haak Mark Haeseler Gloria Haeseler Marilyn Heigl Curt Webb Hannah Koepsell Sharon Lemke Florence Lindaman **Doris Matheis** Phil Moldenhauer Jason Painter Renee Patton Dennis & Eileen Tischler Karen Tischler Jeremy Trombley Ron Waliszewski Tami Walters

Our Shut Ins



The drinking fountain is now working. Thank you Tom for taking care of that repair.

TODAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR:

The Word of Christ Is the One Thing Needed

"The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre" (Gen. 18:1) and received his hospitality. But Abraham received the gracious promise of a son. Though Abraham and Sarah were very old, nothing is "too hard for the LORD" (Gen. 18:14). His Word appointed the time and fulfilled the promise. In the same way, the Lord Jesus "entered a village" and received Martha's hospitality (Luke 10:38). "Martha was distracted with much serving" because she was "anxious and troubled about many things" (Luke 10:40-41), but her sister, Mary, "sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching" (Luke 10:39). The service of love is no sin, but "one thing is necessary" for both faith and love — the Word of Christ (Luke 10:42). Thus, the ministers of Christ are sent "to make the word of God fully known, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints" (Col. 1:25-26).



The flowers on the altar are in remembering Barney Smith whom we lost 5 years ago on July 23rd, with love from his family.



In honor of Kristen Jorg's birthday on July 25th flowers have been placed on the altar with love from family.



A memorial was given to St. Matthew Lutheran Church in memory of Joy Jenks from Toni Durick.

A memorial was given in memory of Joy Jenks from Sharon Lemke.

A gift was given to St. Matthew Lutheran Church in memory of family members from Sharon Lemke.

Vine and Branches Open House at The Treehouse!

Please join us on Sunday, July 27th after the service until 1pm for our Open House. Stop in and see where the work and fun happen, and what we are currently up to!

Light snacks will be provided



Operation Christmas Child Christmas in July

Items that we can use most from all categories; School Supplies; pens, pencils, glue sticks, erasers.

Personal Care Items; combs, brushes, mini flashlights.

Toys & games; dolls (ex: Barbie), puzzles, chalk, coloring books, small balls.

Stay tuned for more information on The Greatest Journey and a fun way to help with shipping costs!



Ladies' Guild Strawberry Social, August 10th after the 11 am church service. Menu to include hotdogs, hamburgers, strawberry shortcake, sundae, pie, and beverages. To help with the cost, a sign up sheet will be on the stand on your way out. Free will donation. Contact Carol Wilczak if you have any questions.



Attic Treasurer items can be brought in starting the first week in July for the Bazaar in October. Please bring in <u>only clean and in good repair items.</u> If you would not buy it.....don't bring it in. Place the items on the tables on the far side of the fellowship hall. Thank you. See Ellen Graf if you have any questions.



YCC ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST

Any Questions contact Breanna Gerner Youth Director at 716-525-6953, gerner22@gmail.com. Meetings are on Sunday from 6-8.



Thursday, August 21st-Buffalo Zoo

We will meet in the church parking lot at 10am.

PLEASE HELP US FILL OUR FOOD PANTRY HERE AT ST MATTHEW

We are in need of mayonnaise, soups, canned carrots & corn, pancake syrup, ketchup and paper towels. Please no canned green beans or peas. Thank you for your donations.



THE NORTH TONAWANDA FOOD PANTRY is in need of the following items; hamburger/tuna helper, rice a roni, flavored rice. Put the items in the blue bin in the Quilting Room. Thank you for your generosity.



ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS YTD

Attendance 7/13/2025 73

Offering for 7/13/2025 \$2,708.00

Week Ending 7/19/2025 YTD

Budget \$4,138.00 \$115,864.00 Received \$2,708.00 \$104,973.00 -\$1,430.00 -\$10,891.00

Capital Improvements YTD \$140.00

MEETINGS & EVENTS AT ST. MATTHEW

JULY 20, 2025

Sun: 9:15am-Worship Service w/Communion

Sat: 9:00am-Vine & Branches

NEXT WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon: 9:00am-12:00pm

Tue: Off Wed: Off

Thu: 9:00am-12:00pm Fri: 9:00am-11:00am



SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

Elders: Craig Heigl, Rob Pidanick

Vestrymen: Bill Bundy

Ushers: Dave Urtel, Tank Jorg, Tim Jorg Greeters: Toni Durick, Linda Pascucci

Sunshine Committee: Open

Organist: Tom Goodrich

Sr. Choir Director Open
Chimes: Open
Offering Counters: Team 3

Video Team: Tank Jorg

Altar Committee; Ellen Graf*, Carol Wilczak,

Lisa Ellman